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Sir:

RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION AND ELECTION OF SPECIES REQUIREMENT

In response to the Restriction Requirement and Election of Species Requirement dated August 24, 2007, Applicants elect the subject matter of Group II, claims 9-19, without traverse. Applicants also elect Species IIA and Species IB, without traverse. Applicants submit that claims 9-14, 16 and 17 read on the elected species and that claims 9-14 are generic to all species.

A prompt and favorable examination is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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